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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 8, 2002 OFFICE ACTION AND

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to the February 8, 2002 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the February 8, 2002 Office Action was due May 8, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the February 8, 2002 Office Action. The fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY DOLLARS (\$460.00). With a three-month extension of time, the response to the February 8, 2002 Office Action is due August 8, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-22 without disclaimer or prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a continuation or divisional application.

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